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TI - Magnetic bit holder for receiving interchangeable bits, such as screwdriver bits etc - has neodymium permanent magnet freely received in bore and retained against inner end surface by thin circular retainer interference-fitted in bore

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The tool has an elongated shank with a handle at one end and a bit holder at the other end, the bit holder including a cylindrical body having a distal end surface and an axis, the body having an axial bore formed in the end surface of non-circular transverse cross section and terminating at an inner end surface. A neodymium permanent magnet is freely received in the bore and retained against the inner end surface by a thin circular retainer, formed of metal or plastic, which is interference-fitted in the bore.

- A shock-absorbing cushion may be disposed between the magnet and the inner end surface of the bore. A bit formed of magnetizable material is mateably received in a socket portion of the bore and retained in place by the magnet. The portion of the bore receiving the magnet may have a different cross section from the socket portion. The magnet may be disposed in an encapsulation which interference fits in the bore.
- ADVANTAGE - Obviates the drilling of a separate hole for retention of a permanent magnet. Can effectively retain a neodymium magnet in place, minimising the risk of fracture and assuring adequate retention even in the event of fracture. (Dwg.2/9)

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